

Chapter N 5

LICENSURE TO PRACTICE AS A TRAINED
PRACTICAL NURSE

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History: Chapter N 5 as it existed on June 30, 1962 was repealed and a new chapter N 5 was created effective July 1, 1962.

N 5.01 Proof of intention to qualify for licensure. A nurse shall be considered to have indicated his intention to qualify for licensure if the licensing fee of \$15.00 has been paid to the state department of nurses.

History: Cr. Register, June, 1962, No. 78, eff. 7-1-62.

N 5.02 Application fee to be earned fee. Effective July 1, 1962 a fee received in connection with an application for a license by or without examination shall be an earned fee upon receipt. The applicant shall be notified in writing of the results of the evaluation of the application. The applicant is not entitled to a refund of the fee if the license is denied.

History: Cr. Register, June, 1962, No. 78, eff. 7-1-62.

N 5.03 Eligibility for examination. (1) GRADUATES OF STATE ACCREDITED SCHOOL. (a) Shall be a U. S. citizen or submit proof of intention to become a citizen; be at least 18 years of age; have completed 2 years (8 credits) of high school or its equivalent; hold a diploma from an accredited school of practical nursing in a state whose minimum standards meet Wisconsin's standards. A graduate of a program in a state not meeting Wisconsin's standard but whose program is equivalent to the minimum standards of Wisconsin may be eligible for examination.

(b) Application, statements, documents, and the \$15.00 shall be on file 21 days prior to date of examination.

(c) Shall be able to speak, read, and write English.

(2) PERSON WITH COMPARABLE TRAINING. (a) A person who is a U. S. citizen, or submits proof of intention to become a citizen; is at least 18 years of age; has completed 2 years (8 credits) of high school or its equivalent and can provide evidence of comparable preparation (section N 5.04) satisfactory to the board may be admitted to examination provided section N 5.01 has been met.

History: Cr. Register, June, 1962, No. 78, eff. 7-1-62.

N 5.04 Comparable training. (1) PARTIAL PROFESSIONAL. A person who within 10 years prior to date of application has completed approximately 18 months in an accredited school of professional nursing which has included nursing experience in the clinical areas

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which, together with her other satisfactory nursing experience, is equivalent to the nine month minimum program in a state accredited practical nursing school may be considered to have had comparable preparation. The 10-year limitation may be waived or extended in the discretion of the board when the circumstances indicate current competency.

(2) **LICENSE IN FOREIGN COUNTRY.** A person who holds a license in a foreign country as a professional nurse but who does not have the educational qualifications to receive a Wisconsin certificate of registration may be considered to have comparable preparation if he meets section N 5.03 (2), and has had instruction and practice in the care of medical and surgical patients, mothers, newborn infants and children plus 6 months satisfactory nursing experience in Wisconsin.

History: Cr. Register, June, 1962, No. 78, eff. 7-1-62. am. (1), Register, February, 1964, No. 98, eff. 3-1-64.

N 5.05 Eligibility without examination. (1) **RECOGNITION OF OUT-OF-STATE LICENSE.** A license shall be granted without examination to a person who is licensed as a trained attendant, licensed practical nurse or under a comparable title in another state, territory or province of Canada if: (a) the state, territory, or province has standards comparable to those established by the board.

(b) The applicant (whose program meets Wisconsin's standards) has written the same examination and received a score acceptable to Wisconsin.

History: Cr. Register, June, 1962, No. 78, eff. 7-1-62.

N 5.06 Renewal of license. A trained practical nurse practicing for compensation shall renew his license as provided in section 149.09 (4) (b) Wis. Stats. If he does not complete the application for relicensing as directed it may be returned to him for completion before issuance of a renewal card.

History: Cr. Register, June, 1962, No. 78, eff. 7-1-62.

N 5.07 Inactive list of licensees. A trained practical nurse not practicing nursing for compensation in Wisconsin shall request placement on the inactive list by August 1, and no fee shall be charged.

History: Cr. Register, June, 1962, No. 78, eff. 7-1-62.

N 5.08 Delinquent licensee. A trained practical nurse who has been currently licensed during the preceding year and who does not request placement on the inactive list shall be declared delinquent on August 1. Delinquent licensees shall not be endorsed to other states. A nurse, in order to clear his record, shall submit an affidavit to the effect that he has not engaged in the practice of nursing as a trained practical nurse for compensation from the date on which he was recorded as delinquent. If he is unable to sign the affidavit he shall be required to submit the fee for each year in which he has practiced.

History: Cr. Register, June, 1962, No. 78, eff. 7-1-62.

N 5.09 Replacement of license. (1) **ORIGINAL.** An original license which has been lost or destroyed may be replaced upon proper identification of the nurse. Proper identification includes the name of the school and date of graduation, date of original license and date of birth. The replacement fee shall be \$5.00. A license replaced shall be marked duplicate.